(b) In Delhi the position would improve with the commissioning of three 500 bedded Hospitals and seven 100-bedded Hospitals on the periphery of Delhi. Improvement of existing hospitals and construction of new hospitals is the responsibility of State/U.T. Governments.

(c) No, Sir. Survey of hospitals upto district level is the concern of the respective State Governments.

(d) The effort of the Government has been to establish and strengthen the health care system in the rural areas. Efforts have also been made to introduce in-house improvements in the existing Central Government hositals so that the facilities could be put to optimal use. This is a continuing process.

High rent to phones in the rural areas

3691. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the high rents of phones in rural areas;

(b) whether Government are considering the possibility of reducing rent of phones in rural areas; and

(c) what steps are being taken to grant concessions in the matter of trunk calls to phones in rural areas with only trunk call facilities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Considering the amount of capital outlay required, cost of labour and other inputs for maintenances, the existing rentals of Phones in rural areas are not high.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) As the present rates are not high the Government has no proposal to grant concessions in trunk call rates for rural areas.

Alleged indoctrination of Telugu Desam ideology among students in Andhra Pradesh

3692. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in Andhra Pradesh the curriculam of studies at college level includes syllabus which tantamounts to indoctrination of Telugu Desam ideology among the students;

(b) if so, whether it has been done with the prior permission of the University Grants Commission; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) The content of courses including the curricula and syllabi for various courses offered at the university level are prescribed by the relevant university bodies themselves. Government have not received any information about courses prepared by universities in Andhra Pradesh which seek to indoctrinate students.

(b) and (c) The universities do not require any permission from the University Grants Commission for prescribing the content of their courses.

Dead Phones in Bombay

3693. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH : Will the Minister of COMMUNCATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a funeral procession of dead phones was taken out recently in Bombay;